

In the claims:

a Please amend the claims as follows: *b*

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1. (Amended) A method for the mitigation of pet malodor(s) on surfaces comprising contacting said malodor(s) with an aqueous liquid deodorizing composition to entrap said malodor(s) in a minute, transparent residue or film, the composition containing about at least 0.01% to about 10% of an dialkali metal tetraborate n-hydrate (with n being an integer from 0 to 10), 0.1-3% water soluble/dispersible polymer, 1-25% water soluble/dispersible volatile solvent, at least 75% water.

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6. (Amended) A product for mitigating or eliminating pet malodor(s) on surfaces to which the malodors have been applied, the product comprising: an aqueous liquid deodorizing composition, the composition containing about at least 0.01% to about 10% of an dialkali metal tetraborate n-hydrate (with n being an integer from 0 to 10), 0.1-3% water soluble/dispersible polymer, 1-25% water soluble/dispersible volatile solvent, at least 75% water, wherein said composition is capable of forming a minute, transparent residue or film capable of entrapping malodor(s).

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7. (Amended) A container for dosing a liquid malodor counteractant on pet malodor(s) for the mitigation or elimination thereof, said liquid malodor counteractant comprising: an aqueous liquid deodorizing composition containing about at least 0.01% to about 10% of an dialkali metal tetraborate n-hydrate (with n being an integer from 0 to 10), 0.1-3% water soluble/dispersible polymer, 1-25% water soluble/dispersible volatile solvent, at least 75% water, wherein said composition is capable of forming a minute, transparent residue or film capable of entrapping malodor(s).

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8. (New) The method of claim 1 wherein said malodor(s) are from ammonia formation due to decomposition of urea present in animal waste.

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9. (New) The product of claim 6 wherein said malodor(s) are from ammonia formation due to decomposition of urea present in animal waste.

10. (New) The container of claim 7 wherein said malodor(s) are from ammonia formation due to decomposition of urea present in animal waste.